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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

INVENTOR:	NAOHIRO FURUKAWA, HISASHI IKEDA, HIROSHI SAKO AND YOSUKE KATO
FOR:	MAIL SYSTEM AND MAIL SERVICE

Enclosed are:

- 16 sheets of formal informal drawings.
- Priority Request transmitting certified copy of Japanese Patent application 2003-375094 to claim the priority date of November 5, 2003
- An Assignment to Hitachi, Ltd.
- An Executed Declaration.
- An Information Disclosure Statement Form 1449 with references
- The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

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**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
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**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of November 5, 2003, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2003-375094.

A certified copy of Japanese patent application 2003-375094 is being submitted herewith.
Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

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